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2. Prior to September, 1999, I worked in the United States to complete the conception of the invention, as claimed in the application, and to reduce the invention to practice, as evidenced by the following:

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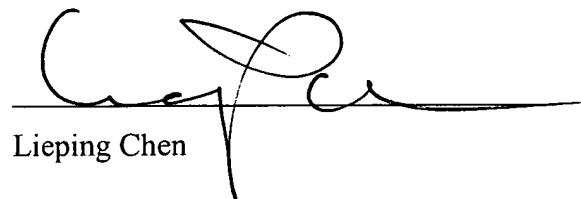
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Liping Chen

B7.6DNA Translated Sequence

BamHI
HindIII
NotI
PvuI
SmaI

enzymes
non-cutter

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Sequence Range: 1 to 1369

KEVAK
found 2
Ku AACG 4
Ku AACG 4
+

10 20 30 40 50 60 70
B6A
CAGCGGCAGCTCCACTCAGCCAGTACCCAGATAAGCTGGGAACCTTCCCGAGCTATGGCTTCCCTGGGGC
GTCGCCGTCGAGGTGAGTCGGTCAATGGGCTATGCGACCCCTGGAAAGGGTCCGTAACCGAAGGGACCCCG
Q R Q L H S A S T Q I R W E P S P A M A S L G>
TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

80 90 100 110 120 130 140
Ecole B76
B6A
AGATCCTCTCTGGAGCATAATTAGCATCATCATATTCTGGCTGGAGCAATTGCACTCATCATGGCTT
TCTAGGAGAAGACCTCGTATTAATCGTAGTAGTAATAAGACOGACCTCGTTAACOTGAGTAGTAGAACGAA
Q I L F W S I I S I I I I L A G A I A L I I G P>
TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

150 160 170 180 190 200 210
B6A
TGGTATTTCAAGGGGACACTCCATCACAGTCACTACTGTCGCCTCAGCTGGGAACATTGGGGAGGATGGA
ACCATAAAGTCCCTGTGAGGTAGTGTCACTGACAGCGGGACTCGACCCCTGTAACCCCTCCTACCT
G I S G R H S I T V T T V A S A G N I G E D G>
TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

220 230 240 250 260 270 280
B6D
ATCTGAGCTGCACTTTGAACCTGACATCAAACCTTGATATCGTACATGGCTGAAGGGAGGTG
TAGGACTCGACGTGAAACTTGGACTGTAGTTGAAAGACTATAGCACTATGTTACCGACTTCCCTCCAC
I L S C T F E P D I K L S D I V I Q W L K E G>
TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

290 300 310 320 330 340 350
B6D
TTTTAGGCTTGGTCATGAGTTCAAAGAAGGCAAAGATGAGCTGTCGGAGCAGGATGAAATGTTAGGAGG
AAAATCCGAACCAGGTACTCAAGTTCTTCCGTTCTACTCGACAGCCTCGTCTACTTTACAAGTCTCC
V L G L V H E F K E G K D E L S E Q D E M F R G>
TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

360 370 380 390 400 410 420
B6D
CCGGACAGCACTGTTGCTGATCAAGTGAAGTTGGCAATGCCCTTTGGGGCTGAAAAACGTGCAACTC
GGCCTGTCGTACAAACGACTAGTTCACTATCAACCGTTACGGAGAAACGCCGACTTTGCACCTTGAG
R T A V F A D Q V I V G N A S L R L K N V Q L>
TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

430 440 450 460 470 480 490
B6D
ACAGATGCTGGCAACTACAAATGTTATATCATCACTCTAAAGGCAAGGGGAATGCTAACCTGAGTATA
TGTCTACGACCGTGGATGTTACAATATAGTAGTGAAGATTCCGTTCCCTTACGATTGGAACCTCATAT
T D A G T Y K C Y I I T S K G K G N A N L E Y>
TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

500 510 520 530 540 550 560
B6D
AAACTGGAGCCTTCAGCATGCCGGAACTGAATGTGGACTATAATGCCAGCTCAGAGACCTTGGGGTGTGA
TTTACGCTCGGAAGTCGTACGGCCTCACTTACACCTGATATTACGGTGTGAGTCCTGGAAACCCACACT
K T G A F S M P E V N V D Y N A S S E T L R C E>
TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

570 580 590 600 610 620 630
B6D
GGCTCCCCGATGGTTCCCCCAGCCCACAGTGGTCTGGGCATCCCAAGTTGACCAGGGAGCCAACTTCTCG
CCGAGGGGCTACCAAGGGGGTGGGTGTCAACCAGACCCGTAGGGTTCAACTGGTCCCTCGGGTGAAGAGC
A P R W F P Q P T V V W A S Q V D Q G A N F S>
TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

640 650 660 670 680 690 700

642

GAAGTCTCAAATACCAGCTTGTGAGCTGAACTCTGAGAAATGTGACCATGAAAGGTTGTCTGTGCTCTACA
 CTTCAAGAGGTTATGGTCGAAACTCGACTTGAGACTCTTACACTGGTACTTCCAAACACAGACACGAGATGT
 E V S N T S F E L N S E N V T M K V V S V L Y>
 TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

710 720 730 740 750 760 770
 ATGTTACGATCAACAAACACATACTCCTGTATGATTGAAAATGACATTGCCAAAGCAACAGGGATATCAA
 TACAAATGCTAGTTGTGTATGAGGACATACTAATTTACTGTAACGGTTTCGTTGTCCCCATAGTT
 N V T I N N T Y S C M I E N D I A K A T G D I K>
 TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

643

780 790 800 810 820 830 840
 AGTGACAGAATCGGAGATCAAAGGCGGAGTCACCTACAGCTGCTAAACTGAAAGGCTTCTCTGTGTGTC
 TCACTGTCCTAGCCTCTAGTTTCCGCCCTCAGTGGATGTGACGGATTGAGTTTCCGAAGAGACACACAG
 V T E S E I K R S H L Q L L N S K A S L C V>
 TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

850 860 870 880 890 900 910
 TCTTCTTTCTTGCCATCAGCTGGCACTTCTGCCCTCAGCCCTTACCTGATGCTAAAATAATGTGCGCT
 AGAAGAAAGAACGGTAGTCGACCCGTGAAGACGGAGAGTCGGGAATGGACTACGATTTTTACACGGGA
 S S F F A I S W A L L P L S P Y L M L K * C A>
 TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

920 930 940 950 960 970 980
 TGGCCACAAAAAGCATGCAAAGTCATTGTTACAACAGGGATCTACAGAACTATTTCACCACAGATATG
 ACCGGTGTTCGTCAGTTTCACTAACATGTTGTCCCTAGATGTCCTGATAAAGTGGTGGTCTATAAC
 L A T K K H A K S L L Q Q G S T E L F H H Q I >
 TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

644

990 1000 1010 1020 1030 1040 1050
 ACCTAGTTTATATTTCTGGGAGGAAATGAATTCTATCTAGAAGTCTGGAGTGAGCAAACAAGAGCAAG
 TGGATCAAATATAAGACCCCTCTTACTTAAGTATAGATCTTCAGACCTCACTCGTTGTCTCGTT
 P S F I F L G G N E F I S R S L E * A N K S K>
 TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

645

1060 1070 1080 1090 1100 1110 1120
 AAACAAAAAGAACCAAAGCAGAAGGCTCAAATATGAACAAAGATAATCTATCTCAAAGACATATTAG
 TTTGTTTTCTCGGTTTCGTCTCCGAGGTTACTTGTCTATTAGATAGAAGTTCTGTATAATC
 K Q K E A K S R R L Q Y E Q D K S I F K D I L>
 TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

1130 1140 1150 1160 1170 1180 1190
 AAGTTGGAAAATAATTCACTGTGAACTAGACAAGTGTGTTAAGAGTGTATAAGTAAATGCACGTGGAGAC
 TTCAACCCCTTTATTAAGTACACTTGATCTGTTACACAATTCTCACTATTCACTTACGTGACCTCTG
 E V G K I I H V N * T S V L R V I S K M H V E T>
 TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

1200 1210 1220 1230 1240 1250 1260
 AAGTGCATCCCCAGATCTCAGGGACCTCCCCCTGCCCTGTACCTGGGAGTGAGAGGACAGGATAGTGCA
 TTCACTGAGGGTCTAGAGTCCCTGGAGGGGACGGACAGTGGACCCCTCACTCTCTGTCCCTATCACGT
 S A S P D L R D L P L P V T W G V R G Q D S A>
 TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A]

1270 1280 1290 1300 1310 1320 1330
 TGTCTTTGTCCTGTGAATTAGTATATGTGCTGTAATGTTGCTCTGAGGAAGCCCCCTGGAAAGTCTA
 ACAAGAAACAGAGACTTAAATCAATATACACGACATTACAACGAGACTCCTCGGGGACCTTTCAGAT
 C S L S L N P * L Y V L * C C S E E A P G K S>

TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A] >

1340 1350 1360
TCCCAACATATCCACATCTTATATTCCACAAATTAAAGCT
AGGGTTGTATAGGTGTAGAATATAAGGTGTTAATTCGA
I P T Y P H L I F H K L S X>
TRANSLATION OF B7.6DNA [A] >